

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising a communication device and a terminal device that are connected to and capable of performing data communications with each other,

the communication device comprising:

a communicating unit that performs data communications via a network;

a communication-end storing unit capable of storing various data and capable of being recognized by the terminal device as an external storage device connected to the terminal device;

a communication-storage commanding unit comprising

a judging portion that judges whether or not a communication data transmitted through or received by the communicating unit satisfies a prescribed storage condition;

~~a storing portion that stores the communication data in the communication end storing unit if the communication data satisfies the prescribed condition as the result of judgment by the judging portion;~~

a handling portion that handles the communication data as a plurality of data segments each having a prescribed data size if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed storage condition as a result of judgment by the judging portion, and that handles the communication data as a single data if the communication data satisfies the prescribed storage condition as the result of judgment by the judging portion; and

a storing portion that stores in the communication-end storing unit the communication data as the single data if the communication data satisfies the prescribed storage condition as the result of judgment by the judging portion; and

a sequentially storing portion that sequentially stores in the communication-end storing unit the data segments segment by segment in the communication-end storing unit if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed storage condition as the result of judgment by the judging portion; and

the terminal device comprising:

a terminal-end storing unit that stores various data; and

a terminal-end storage commanding unit that ~~stores~~ stores, when the communication data is stored as the single data in the communication-end storing unit by the storing portion, the communication data into the terminal-end storing unit ~~or~~ and that stores, when data segments are stored in the communication-end storing unit by the sequentially storing portion, the data segments in into the terminal-end storing unit ~~when the communication data or data segments are stored in the communication-end storing unit~~ unit.

2. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the terminal device further comprises a terminal-end deletion commanding unit that deletes the communication data or the data segments from the communication-end storing unit after the communication data or data segments have been stored in the terminal-end storing unit by the terminal-end storage commanding unit.

3. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 2, wherein the communication-end storage commanding unit further comprises a generating portion that generates and stores specification data in the communication-end storing unit, the specification data identifying the plurality of data segments as segments of data divided from the communication data; and

wherein the terminal device further comprises a data combining unit that creates communication data by combining the data segments stored in the terminal-end storing unit based on the specification data stored in the communication-end storing unit.

4. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 3, wherein the terminal-end storage commanding unit comprises:

a judging portion that judges storage of the specification data in the communication-end storing unit; and

a storing unit that stores the specification data in the terminal-end storing unit when the specification data is stored in the communication-end storing unit as a result of judgment made by the judging portion that judges storage of the specification data; and

wherein the terminal-end deletion commanding unit deletes the specification data from the communication-end storing unit provided in the communication device after the specification data has been stored in the terminal-end storing unit; and

wherein the data combining unit combines the data segments based on the specification data stored in the terminal-end storing unit.

5. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the communicating unit is configured to transmit or receive communication data in the data segment basis; and

wherein the storing portion that stores the communication data stores the communication data formed from the data segments transmitted or received by the communicating unit in the communication-end storing unit if the communication data satisfies the prescribed condition; and

wherein the sequentially storing portion stores the data segments in the communication-end storing unit each time a data segment is transmitted or received by the communicating unit if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed condition.

6. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the handling portion that handles a communication data comprises a data dividing section that divides communication data transmitted or received by the communicating unit

into the data segments if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed condition as a result of judgment by the judging portion, the sequentially storing portion storing in the communication-end storing unit the divided data segments when the communication data has been divided into the data segments by the data dividing section.

7. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the prescribed storage condition comprises a storage capacity of a remaining area in the communication-end storage unit indicating an available storage area for storing communication data, the storage condition being satisfied if the storage capacity is greater than or equal to a prescribed threshold value.

8. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the storage condition comprises a specific parameter associated with the communication data transmitted or received by the communicating unit, the storage condition being satisfied if the communication data is associated with the specific parameter.

9. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 8, wherein the communication data comprises image data; and

wherein the specific parameter comprises the number of colors in an image represented by the image data, the storage condition being satisfied if the number of colors in the image is greater than or equal to a prescribed number.

10. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 8, wherein the communication data comprises image data; and

wherein the specific parameter comprises a resolution of an image, the storage condition being satisfied if a resolution of an image is greater than or equal to a prescribed threshold value.

11. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 1, wherein the communication device further comprises mode switching unit that switches, by a user's

operation, an operating mode of the communication device between a normal mode for storing communication data transmitted or received by the communicating unit in the communication-end storing unit unchanged by the storing portion that stores a communication data, and a divided mode for storing the data segments in the communication-end storing unit by the sequentially storing portion when communication data is transmitted or received by the communicating unit, the prescribed storage condition being satisfied if the operation mode is switched to the normal mode by the switching unit.

12. (Currently Amended) A communication system comprising a communication device and a terminal device that are connected to and capable of performing data communications with each other,

the communication device comprising:

a first communicating unit that performs data communications via a network;

a second communicating unit that performs data communications with the terminal device;

a communication-end storing unit capable of storing various types of data and capable of being recognized by the terminal device as an external storage device ~~connected to the terminal device; via the second communicating unit;~~ and

a communication-end storage commanding unit that stores description data indicating details of communications performed by the communicating unit in the communication-end storing unit in a state that satisfies a prescribed storage ~~condition, and that does not store the description data in a state that does not satisfy the prescribed storage condition; condition;~~ and

the terminal device comprising:

a terminal-end storing unit that stores various types of data; ~~and~~

a terminal-end determining unit that determines, by accessing to the communication-end storing unit via the second communicating unit, whether or not there exists any description data stored in the communication-end storing unit that is in the state that satisfies the prescribed storage condition; and

a terminal-end storage commanding unit that treats the description data as the data for satisfying the storage condition and that, if the terminal-end determining unit determines that there exists description data stored in the communication-end storing unit that is in the state that satisfies the prescribed storage condition, stores in the terminal-end storing unit the description data from among all data stored in the communication-end storing unit.

13. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 12, wherein the terminal device further comprises a terminal-end deletion commanding unit that deletes data from the communication-end storing unit that is identical to data stored in the terminal-end storing unit by a command from the terminal-end storage commanding unit.

14. (Previously Presented) The communication system as claimed in claim 12, wherein the communication-end storage commanding unit stores communication data transmitted or received by the communication unit in the communication-end storing unit in a state that satisfies a prescribed first storage condition, and stores description data indicating communication details of the communication data in the communication-end storing unit in a state that satisfies a prescribed second storage condition; and

wherein the terminal-end storage commanding unit treats the communication data as data that satisfies the first storage condition and treats the description data as data that satisfies the second storage condition from among data stored in the communication-end storing unit, and stores the communication data and the description data in the terminal-end storing unit.

15. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 12, wherein the communication-end storage commanding unit stores data in a specific storage area of the communication-end storing unit in order to satisfy the storage condition; and

wherein the terminal-end storage commanding unit stores data located in the specific storage area of the communication-end storing unit in the terminal-end storing unit.

16. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 12, wherein the communication device further comprises a storing unit that stores identification data in the communication-end storing unit, the identification data identifying the communication device as a device configured to store description data; and

wherein the terminal-end storage commanding unit commands storage of data into the terminal-end storing unit when the identification data has been stored in the communication-end storing unit.

17. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 16, wherein the identification data stored in the communication-end storing unit comprises computation data calculated from prescribed target data stored in the communication-end storing unit according to a specific procedure; and

wherein the terminal-end storage commanding unit commands storage of data into the terminal-end storing unit only when the identification data is stored in the communication-end storing unit provided in the communication device and when the computation data indicated by the identification data is in conformance with data calculated from the target data stored in the communication-end storing unit according to the specific procedure.

18. (Original) The communication system as claimed in claim 13, wherein the communication device further comprises a status switching unit that switches the operating status of the communication-end storing unit between a modifiable state in which data can be

stored to or deleted from the communication-end storing unit and a non-modifiable state in which data cannot be stored or deleted; and

the status switching unit switches the operating status of the communication-end storing unit to the modifiable state when the communication-end storage commanding unit commands the communication-end storing unit to store data and until the data is stored in the communication-end storing unit, and when the communication-end deletion commanding unit commands the communication-end storing unit to delete data and until the data has been deleted from the communication-end storing unit.

19. (Currently Amended) A first storage medium containing a program for performing data communication between a communication device and a terminal device, the communication device including communication-end storing unit capable of storing various data and capable of being recognized by the terminal device as an external storage device connected to the terminal device, the first program comprising:

a program of performing data communication via a network; and
a program of commanding storage in the communication-end storing unit, comprising

a program of judging whether or not the communication data transmitted through or received by the communicating unit satisfies a prescribed storage condition;

~~a program of storing the communication data in the communication-end storing unit if the communication data satisfies the prescribed condition as a result of the judgment;~~

a program of handling a communication data as a plurality of data segments each having a prescribed data size if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed storage condition as a result of the judgment, and that handles the communication data as a

single data if the communication data satisfies the prescribed storage condition as the result of the judgment; and

a program of storing the communication data in the communication end storing unit the communication data as the single data if the communication data satisfies the prescribed storage condition as the result of the judgment; and

a program of sequentially storing in the communication end storing unit the data segments, segment by segment, in the communication end storing unit if the communication data does not satisfy the prescribed storage condition as the result of the judgment.

20. (Currently Amended) A second storage medium containing a program for performing data communication between a communication device and a terminal device for use in combination with the first storage medium as claimed in claim 19, the terminal device including terminal-end storing unit that stores various data, the program comprising:

a program of commanding storage of the communication data or the data segments in the terminal end storing unit when the communication data or data segments are stored in the communication end storing unit into the terminal-end storing unit, when the communication data is stored as the single data in the communication end storing unit by the storing step, and the data segments into the terminal end storing unit, when data segments are stored in the communication end storing unit by the sequentially storing step.

21. (Original) The second storage medium as claimed in claim 20, wherein the program further comprises a program of commanding deletion of the communication data or the data segments from the communication-end storing unit after the communication data or data segments have been stored in the terminal-end storing unit.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Currently Amended) A ~~fourth~~-storage medium containing a program for performing data communication between a communication device and a terminal device ~~for use in combination with the third storage medium as claimed in claim 22, the communication device including a communication-end storing unit capable of storing various types of data and capable of being recognized by the terminal device as an external storage device connected to the terminal device, the terminal device including terminal-end storing unit that stores various types of data, the program comprising:~~

a program of determining, by accessing to the communication-end storing unit, whether or not there exists any description data stored in the communication-end storing unit that is in the state that satisfies a prescribed storage condition; and

a program of treating the description data as the data for satisfying the storage condition and commanding storage in the terminal-end storing unit of the description data from among all data stored in the communication-end storing unit, if the determination determines that there exists description data stored in the communication-end storing unit that is in the state that satisfies the prescribed storage condition.

24. (Currently Amended) The ~~fourth~~-storage medium as claimed in claim 23 wherein the program further comprises a program of deleting data from the communication-end storing unit that is identical to data stored in the terminal-end storing unit by a command from the commanding program.

25. (New) The communication system according to claim 1, wherein each of the data segments has a page size and the sequentially storing portion sequentially stores in the communication-end storing unit the data segments page by page.